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## From Your Editor

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# From your (my-toes-are-falling-off-they're-so-cold) Editor:

Okay. It's cold in Charleston. I know you don't believe it, but it is. I have learned more than I ever wanted to know about Wick socks, I have worn more coats for an extended period of time than I have ever worn in my life, and I am seriously considering moving to the hottest place on the map as soon as possible.

Still, *ATG* marches on. This issue is another great one. The awesome **Dan Halloran** remembers two incredible **Richards** in all of our lives, **Rick Anderson** talks about our new wired acquisitions world, **Daniel Phelan** fills us in on the Canadian national site licensing project, **Georgia Briscoe** scrutinizes publisher giveaways and **Michelle Flinchbaugh** talks about out of print books on the Web. (And don't miss **Jack Walsdorf's** regular column on the changing times of out of print acquisitions.). We have several new editors — **Bob Nardini** for **Vendor/Library Relations** who has given us two this time, one on changes in vendors and the other (with **John Abbott**)

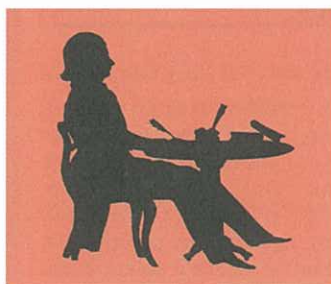
called "Will Amazon Wal-Mart the Book Vendors?" (I'm not going to touch that one with a ten-foot pole.)

Another new columnist is **John Riley** for **Book Pricing Update**, this time about **Peter Piper** and pre-pub prices. And **Rick Lugg** and **Ruth Fischer** bring in a new column — **I, User** — which takes a totally different (and fun!) perspective.

Check it out! In fact, check everything in this issue out! Who says that librarians are dull? How about if each of us emails our columnists and authors how much we appreciate their contributions?! Okay!

In the meantime, happy warm toes to you and bring on the spring!

Yr. Ed. 



## Letters to the Editor

Send letters to [<strauchk@earthlink.net>](mailto:strauchk@earthlink.net), phone or fax 843-723-3536, or snail mail: *Against the Grain*, MSC 98, The Citadel, Charleston, SC 29409. You can also send a letter to the editor from the *ATG* Homepage at [<http://www.against-the-grain.com>](http://www.against-the-grain.com).

### Dear Editor:

My husband and I have been enjoying the Millennium issue very much. Thanks for putting it together.

By the way, I think my subscription to *Against the Grain* has expired but I haven't received a renewal notice.

**Kathryn Luther Henderson**  
(Professor, UIUC, GSLIS)  
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NB: Dear all! Your renewal invoices will be mailed later this month. I hope that all of you will renew your subs. Please! Yr. Ed.

### Dear Editor:

I have withdrawal symptoms. Please can you check and let me know what has happened to my subscription to *ATG*. I queried this some time ago but nothing has happened. Do I owe you, you owe me or what ???

Cheers,  
**Norman Horrocks**  
<nhorrock@is.dal.ca>

### Dear Editor:

This was my second visit to the Charleston Conference and again I was impressed. There is sooooo much information offered in such a small amount of time that it is very hard to see and do everything that is of interest. So, I was very glad to hear mention of possible proceedings this year!

Thank you for your efforts that go into making it a well rounded, enjoyable event! Get some rest!

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Event	Issue	Ad Reservation	Camera-Ready
SLA, MLA	April 2001	02/07/01	02/21/01
ALA Annual, AALL	June 2001	03/28/01	04/11/01
Reference Publishing	Sept. 2001	07/11/01	07/25/01
Charleston Conference	Nov. 2001	08/15/01	08/29/01
ALA Midwinter	Dec. 01/Jan. 02	10/24/01	11/14/01

## Rumors from page 1

<wshaw@carl.org> son, **Tucker Shaw**, has 3 books out—and was just given an ALA award. Here are citations for his titles (all from Al-loy/Penguin @ \$5.99—aimed at young adults): *Dreams* by **Tucker Shaw**, *This Book is About Sex* by **Tucker Shaw** and **Fiona Gibb** and *Any Advice?* by **Tucker Shaw** and **Fiona Gibb**. Wow! <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/booklists/bbva/2001bestbooks.html>.

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